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> > July 7, 2005

Mr. Wes Hansen Quality Building Stone 933 West 14730 South Bluffdale, Utah 84065

Subject: Conditional Acceptance of Notice of Intention to Commence Small

Mining Operations, Quality Building Stone, Torrey Buff Quarry,

S/055/022, Wayne County, Utah

Dear Mr. Hansen:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining has reviewed the Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations for the Torrey Buff Quarry received May 28, 2004, along with supplemental information received to date, and determines it to be complete. Prior to beginning mining operations the reclamation surety must be approved. Additional conditions to this mining operation are described below.

- 1. Surety and Reclamation Contract. Before beginning further mining operations, you must post a reclamation surety in a form and amount acceptable to the Division and the BLM. You must also submit a signed reclamation contract. The total surety amount for this site has been determined to be \$14,000. You already have a corporate surety bond of \$3,000 for this site, so the additional amount required is \$11,000. The Division needs to be named on the existing surety. If you submit a corporate surety bond, the surety company must be licensed to do business in Utah and must be listed in "A.M. Best's Key Rating Guide" at a rating of A- or better or a Financial Performance Rating (FPR) of 8 or better, according to the "A.M. Best's Guide". All surety companies also will be continuously listed in the current issue of the U.S. Department of the Treasury Circular 570.
- 2. **Seeding of Reclaimed Areas.** Those areas that have been reclaimed and are not included in your disturbed area must be prepared and seeded as discussed in the report for the May 12.



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2005, inspection (copy enclosed). This needs to be done in the fall of 2005.

3. Variances. Your notice requests variances from soil salvage and seedbed preparation requirements. The Division recognizes that topsoil salvage and seedbed preparation will not always be possible, but you need to take reasonable measures to salvage the available soil and to prepare the seedbed where this is feasible. Therefore, the Division denies the full variance request.

Please contact Beth Ericksen at 801-538-5318 for information about submitting the reclamation surety and for the appropriate forms. A partially completed reclamation contract form is enclosed for your use.

If you have further questions or need additional information, please contact me at 801-538-5318 or Paul Baker at 801-538-5261. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Susan M. White

Mining Program Coordinator

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Enclosure: Inspection Report

Reclamation Contract

cc: Buzz Rakow, Hanksville BLM

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